## **REMARKS**

This is in response to the Office Action of August 13, 2008. It is noted that claim 15 had been cancelled by way of Preliminary Amendment. Claim 12 is cancelled, without prejudice, in order to facilitate further prosecution of this application. New claim 16 is added, directed to the second compound listed in original claim 10. No new matter is introduced by this Amendment. With this Amendment, claims 1-11, 13, 14, and 16 are pending in this application.

In response to the requirement for restriction set forth in the outstanding Office Action, Applicants elect the invention identified by the Examiner as Group I. Applicants respectfully traverse the requirement for restriction on the ground that the non-elected invention – methods of using the compounds of Group I – is closely related to the Group I invention, and could most efficiently be examined together with the elected compound invention. Accordingly, rejoinder is respectfully solicited.

In response to the requirement for election of species, Applicants elect the compound 4-(2,3-dichloro-phenoxy)-piperidine. At least claims 1-10 and 16 read on the elected species, and claims 11, 13, and 14 incorporate the elected compound.

An early and favorable first action on the merits of claims 1-11, 13, 14, and 16 is earnestly solicited.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Richard Gallagher (Reg. No. 28,781) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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